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SUBJECT: ANGOLA - RESPONSE TO FAHMY

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1. I MET WITH FAHMY TODAY TO GIVE HIM AN ACCOUNT OF WHAT US HAS DONE IN ANGOLA AS HE HAD REQUESTED. WHILE HE DID NOT READ IT IN MY PRESENCE, HE EXPRESSED HIS APPRECIATION AND SAID IT WILL BE HELPFUL. HE WOULD SEND A COPY TO THE PRESIDENT, WHO AS WE KNEW IS VERY INTERESTED IN THE ANGOLA AFFAIR.

2. IN GIVING HIM THIS INFORMATION, I REMEPHASIZED OUR DETERMINATION TO OPPOSE SOVIET INTERVENTION. I ALSO GAVE HIM AN ACCOUNT OF MY PERTINENT TALK OF YESTERDAY WITH SADAT, DURING WHICH THE LATTER HAD SPOKEN OF HIS WILLINGNESS TO PROVIDE ARMS AND TRAINING FOR MOBUTU. FAHMY CORRECTED THIS. HE STATED THAT GOE CANNOT SEND ARMS SO LONG AS ISRAELI THREAT CONTINUES AND EGYPT GETS NO ARMS FROM US. GOE HAS AGREED TO SEND MILITARY PARACHUTES, WHICH MOBUTU HAS REQUESTED. SO FAR AS MILITARY TRAINING IS CONCERNED, FAHMY REAFFIRMED THE PRESIDENT'S STATEMENT THAT GOE IS ALREADY TO DO THIS FOR MOBUTU EITHER IN EGYPT OR ZAIRE. GOE MAY ALSO SEND SOME "MILITARY TECHNICAINS" TO ZAIRE TO ASSIST MOBUTU'S MILITARY.

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3. NOTING THAT MOHAMED RIAD HAD LEFT TODAY ON A TRIP WHICH WILL END UP IN ADDIS, I AGAIN MADE A STRONG PITCH THAT GOE SUPPORT OUR EFFORTS IN THE UPCOMING OAU SESSION. FAHMY SAID GOE WILL DO EVERYTHING IT CAN AND ALSO ASSURED ME THAT VP MOBAREK WILL BE FULLY BRIEFED BEFORE THE UPCOMING OAU SUMMIT. EILTS

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